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<p>1. As you will note in paragraph 7 of the Reference, we asked SMABOVE to give us compiled information that they have on various MHCHAOS targets. At the time they said that these contained their own internal source information and could not be passed. They promised, however, to furnish us the same material in a form that could be passed. The attached two books entitled "The Black Power Movement in Canada" and "Unrest in the Academic Community (Canada)" were recently passed to us in response to this request.</p> <p>2. From a cursory review of the material it appears that some of it is already known to you. Some is overt information while other items reflect results of SMABOVE investigations and thorough checking. We are also attaching SMABOVE's letter of transmittal which updates some of the information. You will note that they invite our comments.</p> <p>3. We feel that this is somewhat of a break through with SMABOVE. We have not received this kind of complete report from them recently. We intend very soon to offer some comments to them and especially offer our appreciation. Your comments also would be appreciated.</p> <p>4. We do not know for sure if LNERGO was also given these books. We assume they were not. If we determine that they were passed to LNERGO we will let you know.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Theodore D. Noltham</i> Theodore D. NOLTHAM</p> <p>Attachment: H/W L/S/c As Stated Distribution: 2 - Chief, WOMUSE w/att 2 - Chief, EUR w/o att</p> <p style="text-align: right;">10346</p>			
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UNREST IN THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY (CANADA)

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events where these contacts were made including the CUS and UGEQ annual conferences, the Ninth World Youth Festival in Bulgaria during August 1968, the International Assembly of Revolutionary Students in New York during September 1968, and the Hemispheric Conference to End the War in Vietnam in Montreal during December 1968.

As suggested earlier, protests and student demands in the academic community in the name of student power are not indigenous to Canada. There is a reinforcing relationship between the protest movements of each specific Western country due mainly to the international outlook of protest leaders who are prone to react to similar protest movements in other countries. Although there are numerous contacts between student power leaders and activists in various countries, and foreign events do have an effect on events in Canada, there is not, at least as yet, any substantial evidence of coordinated international control. This is not to say that such control doesn't exist (it could, for example, be exercised from a student radical hotbed such as West Germany), but thus far the student protest movement appears to have spread more by imitation and publicity than by coordinated planning.¹

2. INFLUENCE OF FOREIGNERS LIVING IN CANADA

There has always been a number of academics from foreign countries who have come to Canada to take up positions in the academic community. Although there are exceptions, in the past most of these people have tended to be concerned only with their academic endeavours and have not openly participated in the political affairs of this country. However, during the past several years there has been a gradual increase in the number of academics - students, graduate students and professors - who have come to Canada and become actively involved in the protest movements, in particular, the Student Power movement. Many of these people fall in the New Left category and have come to Canada due to difficulties with their own governments because of their radical political activities.

It is quite apparent that much of the unrest on Canadian campuses to date has been strongly influenced, and in certain instances initiated, by radical students and professors from other countries. Many of the radicals involved in the upheaval at SFU, for example, were lecturers and teaching assistants of British and American origin who were virtually persona non grata to their native countries educational institutions and who, as a result, immigrated to Canada.

Approximately half of the faculty staff of the PSA Department, which was the focal point from which the demands for change in the University structure emanated prior to the formation

¹ Apparently, the U.S. Government has been given what officials consider "ironclad proof" that Communist China and Cuba have helped finance nationally coordinated campus disorders.

of the SDU at SFU, consists of left-wing activists¹ in this category. Martin LONEY, who was one of the student leaders during the SFU incident, entered Canada as a British citizen in August 1966. Dr. Thomas Burton BOTTOMORE, a leading Marxist and author on Marxism as well as a British citizen, took up employment at SFU in 1965 as head of the Department of Political Science, Sociology and Anthropology (PSA). BOTTOMORE, as head of the PSA, was responsible for the hiring of Kathleen ABERLE, a British citizen, and of Thomas Harold BROSE, John William Carl LEGGETT, Nathan POPKIN and Martin NICOLAUS, all U.S. citizens.

Although the largest concentration of foreign radicals at SFU was in the PSA, other activists did take positions in other departments.¹ These included Sidney COONTZ, Michael Allan LEBOWITZ, Paul Edward IVORY, and Maurice HALPERIN, all U.S. citizens, and Laughlin Bernard CURRIE, a citizen of Colombia.

Mordecai BRIEMBERG, who took over as head of the PSA Department after BOTTOMORE tendered his resignation in 1967, has expressed a desire to remain as Department head in order to keep his hand in on the hiring. In this regard, Gerald SPERLING is, through BRIEMBERG, making efforts to get Malcolm SYLVERS, an American Marxist university professor who apparently worked for the Communist underground in Italy during the early 1960's, into SFU.

Professor Donald E. EPSTEIN of the Political Science Department at the University of Waterloo, an American citizen described as a draft dodger and an SDS member prior to his arrival in Canada in 1967, as previously indicated, has been active in organizing and directing students in tactics and methods by which they could take physical possession of university buildings. EPSTEIN, who has been active in student power activities at Waterloo, has apparently been refused tenure at that University and there are indications that activist students intend to challenge the administration in this regard.

Professor Norman STRAX,² an American who was employed as an Assistant Professor of Physics at the University of New Brunswick, precipitated the crisis at that University. STRAX was instrumental in the formation and activities of the SDS branch at that point.³

¹See APPENDIX 16 for further details on specific foreigners living in Canada.

²See APPENDIX 16.

³The SDS at UNB is also known as the Canadian Struggle for a Democratic Society (CSDS).

APPENDIX 16FOREIGNERS LIVING IN CANADA WHO
HAVE BEEN ACTIVE IN UNREST IN
THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITYKathleen ABERLE - Associate Professor, SFU

ABERLE, a British citizen, immigrated to Canada in June 1967 from the United States to become Associate Professor in the Political Science, Sociology and Anthropology Department (PSA) at SFU. ABERLE has admitted being a strong supporter of Fidel CASTRO's revolutionary government and of the National Liberation Front in Hanoi. She is interested in the activities of Black Power advocates and university radicals.

Hardial Singh BAINS - graduate student, McGill University

See APPENDIX 14

Thomas Burton BOTTOMORE - former head of PSA, SFU

BOTTOMORE, a British subject, who was employed at SFU from 1965 until his departure for England in December 1967, has a history of Communist involvement in England prior to 1950. In 1967 he was assessed as being influential in young radical circles at SFU. As head of the PSA at SFU he was responsible for hiring and bringing to Canada a number of radicals from the United States and Britain.

James Thomas BROPHY - student, University of Windsor

BROPHY, an American from Elmira, N.Y., is sympathetic towards "leftist organizations" but is not as far left as he would like people to think. He was recently elected President of the University's Student Administrative Council. He participated in certain minor demonstrations during the 1967-68 academic year, attended a CUS seminar in Winnipeg in May 1968 and since his return has been more vocal and appears to be more radical in his outlook towards the established authority.

Thomas Harold BROSE - Assistant Professor, SFU

BROSE, a U.S. citizen, entered Canada in July 1965 and is currently Assistant Professor of Political Science, SFU.

University, LEBOWITZ has made no attempt to hide his extremely pro-Communist, anti-U.S.A. feelings. In December 1967 LEBOWITZ was elected President of the newly formed SFU Teachers' Union. A leading left-wing radical, he is known to assist radical students.

Herbert N. LEFCOURT - Professor, University of Waterloo

LEFCOURT, an American citizen, immigrated to Canada in July 1963. It is purported that he planned the strategy and form of confrontation for the student occupation at the University of Waterloo in October 1968.

John William Carl LEGGETT - Associate Professor, SFU

Currently an Associate Professor of Sociology at SFU, LEGGETT, a U.S.A. citizen, entered Canada in September 1966. Prior to coming to Canada, LEGGETT, then employed by the University of California (Berkeley), was a leader of the Free Speech Movement which conducted a campaign directed against the University administration. He was subsequently arrested for picketing in defiance of court order. In 1968 LEGGETT was a member of the Vancouver Committee to Aid American War Objectors.

Martin James LONEY - Teaching Assistant, SFU

See APPENDIX 10.

Martin NICOLAUS - Teaching Assistant, SFU

A U.S.A. citizen, NICOLAUS is a Teaching Assistant in the Political Science, Sociology and Anthropology Department of SFU. In 1963, NICOLAUS was a member of the Progressive Labour Movement (now Progressive Labour Party - pro-Chinese Communist) in the United States. A convinced Marxist and an advocate of revolution as the only solution for changing the social system, NICOLAUS has been described as one of the "extreme left radicals" responsible for various demonstrations and student unrest at SFU.

David Keith ORTON - Lecturer, SGWU

ORTON, born in England on 6 January 1934, entered Canada on 14 November 1957 and was granted Canadian Citizenship on 8 January 1963. He was described in September 1968 as one of the